GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4784
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ARTICLE 370
CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether people not belonging to Jammu and Kashmir do not have the right to acquire property in the valley;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether certain political parties have demanded to abrogate article 370; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b) : The right to acquire property in Jammu and Kashmir, is governed by pre-Constitution laws, which prohibits transfer of property to non permanent residents of the State and these laws have been given protection under article 35(A) of the Constitution of India, as applicable to Jammu and Kashmir.

(c) &(d) : Voices have been raised from time to time by different individuals organisations for the abrogation of article 370, however no such proposal is under consideration of the Government.